

SPINAL IMMOBILIZATION SEATED PATIENT

Start Time: _____

Stop Time: _____ Date: _____

Candidate's Name: _____

Evaluator's Name: _____

	Points Possible	Points Awarded
Takes, or verbalizes, body substance isolation precautions	1	
Directs assistant to place/maintain head in the neutral in-line position	1	
Directs assistant to maintain manual immobilization of the head	1	
Reassesses motor, sensory and circulatory function in each extremity	1	
Applies appropriately sized extrication collar	1	
Positions the immobilization device behind the patient	1	
Secures the device to the patient's torso	1	
Evaluates torso fixation and adjusts as necessary	1	
Evaluates and pads behind the patient's head as necessary	1	
Secures the patient's head to the device	1	
Verbalizes moving the patient to a long board	1	
Reassesses motor, sensory and circulatory function in each extremity	1	
Total:	12	

Critical Criteria

- _____ Did not immediately direct, or take, manual immobilization of the head
- _____ Released, or ordered release of, manual immobilization before it was maintained mechanically
- _____ Patient manipulated, or moved excessively, causing potential spinal compromise
- _____ Device moved excessively up, down, left or right on the patient's torso
- _____ Head immobilization allows for excessive movement
- _____ Torso fixation inhibits chest rise, resulting in respiratory compromise
- _____ Upon completion of immobilization, head is not in the neutral position
- _____ Did not assess motor, sensory and circulatory function in each extremity after voicing immobilization to the long board
- _____ Immobilized head to the board before securing the torso